Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Parish

December 10, 2023 2nd Sunday of Advent

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

As Catholic Christians we seek to proclaim, celebrate, and live our faith joyfully and to express our love for Christ and each other.



If you are a visitor or are new to Regina or to our parish, we welcome you and hope you have a positive experience in your worship with us. Check our website for a helpful introduction to Holy Trinity and its various ministries and services. Please feel free to contact us with questions or comments. We look forward to meeting you!

To register in the parish, update your information, or request donation envelopes, pick up a form in the Gathering area (bulletin board) or print a copy from our website, call the parish office or drop in during office hours, www.holytrinityregina.ca.

Reconciliation: By prior arrangement and when possible

45 min. before weekend Masses 30 min. before weekday Masses

Weddings & Funerals: Contact Fr. Gaspar

Coming Up at Holy Trinity (Weekday Rosary 25 minutes before Mass)

Sat. Dec. 9		s: Pro populo g Family: Young (Liam, Oliver)
Sat. Dec. 9	6-9 pm You	uth for Christ, meeting room
Sun. Dec. 1		s: Ints Troy Kocur g Family: Aquino
Sun. Dec. 1	10 11 am Mas	ss: + Richard Sarnowski & Leon Duber
Sun. Dec. 1	10 5 pm Vietr	namese Mass
Mon. Dec.	11 6 pm CWL	Christmas Potluck, hall (see p. 2)
Tues. Dec.	12 1:30 pm Fc	prever in Motion, hall
Tues. Dec.	12 7 pm Mass volunteers	s: Ints CWL Executive & funeral lunch
Tues. Dec.	12 7:30 pm K	of C general meeting, meeting room
Wed. Dec.	13 8:30 am M	ass: + Gwen Gusway
Thurs. Dec	c. 14 8:30 am M	ass: + Roy Kleininger
Thurs. Dec.	. 14 6:30 pm St	. Joan of Arc Christmas concert
Fri. Dec. 15	5 8:30 am M	ass: Ints Kerri Farrer and family
Fri. Dec. 15	7 pm Vietn	amese Reconciliation service
Dec. 16 & 1	7 Refreshme	nts after weekend Masses.

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(bulletin available online)

At Holy Trinity:

We pray for the following:

Gerry Turgeon, Ruth Morrison, Gisele Croteau, Jacqueline Meeley, Troy Kocur

We pray for the Repose of the Souls of our beloved ones, including Roy Kleininger, Fr. Pat Murphy, Ceferino Bayer, Valerian Karchewski, Brandon Armstrong, Edward Joseph 'Ted' Sullivan, Lloyd Fiddler, Renee Ferguson, Gwen Gusway, Marj Puchyr, Tex Emery Herperger, Janet Cameron

Sunday Donations November Regular collection: \$14,423.

Average Holy Trinity expenses: \$21,661 monthly.



Use this link or on our website home

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism Preparation

For parents of infants & young children and expectant parents. Contact the office to register for next session. Registration form on website.

Sacramental Preparation continues. We pray for the 32 young people who made their First Reconciliation on December 2. Classes resume Jan. 14 for First Eucharist & Confirmation.



Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus General meetings: now 2nd Tuesday of the month. Next meeting Dec. 12 after 7 pm Mass.



Holy Trinity Catholic Women's League General meetings: 2nd Monday of the month. Next meeting Dec. 11 (details p. 2). Executive: Next meeting Feb. 5.

Christmas Masses: (full schedule page 2)

Dec. 24 (Sunday): 10 am (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve: 7 pm and 10 pm

Dec. 25 (Monday): 10 am

Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Rev. Gaspar Lucas 306-924-1993

Deacon Rev. Mr. Eric Gurash **Sacramental Prep:** Leslie Young

Support Staff Office Coordinator

Heather Deis: 306-543-3838 **Custodian**: Dominic Dias

Office Hours Mon. to Fri.—9 am to 3 pm Closed statutory holidays & Dec. 25—Jan. 1

For the comfort and safety of others,

please do not wear fragrance to church.

Mass Times:

Sunday Mass Times 9 am & 11 am

Saturday 5 pm

Monday— no Mass Tuesday—7 pm Mass

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday Masses 8:30 am

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration after 8:30 am Mass, next is Jan. 5.

Christmas Mass Times at Holy Trinity

Dec. 24 (Sunday): 10 am: Fourth Sunday of Advent

Dec. 24: Nativity of the Lord, Christmas Eve: 7 pm and 10 pm Dec. 25 (Monday): Nativity of the Lord, Christmas Day: 10 am

Dec. 30 (Saturday) 5 pm (Holy Family)
Dec. 31 (Sunday): 10 am: Holy Family

Dec. 31 (Sunday) 7 pm (Holy Mother of God)

Jan. 1 (Monday) 10 am: Holy Mother of God

Sign-up sheets for Liturgical ministers in Gathering Area.

2024 Donation Envelopes available in the Gathering Area. Note you will have a new Envelope Number Please do not use previous year envelopes for 2024 donations.

2023 donations must be received in collection box by 11 am on Sunday, December 31 to be included on charitable donation receipt for 2023. Outdoor mail slot may not be checked, so bring into main collection box that morning.

****Donations received at the 7 pm Mass for Holy Mother of God will be counted toward 2024 donations. Thank you!

Building Fund at Holy Trinity Parish, As the end of the year 2023 draws near, we ask you to consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Parish's Building Fund. Parish Finance Committee, Building and Grounds, has worked hard to identify some major projects for 2024, such as fixing and re-surfacing the front steps, paving and marking the parking lot and the flooring in the Church basement — a few of the on-going projects required to maintain the Parish. Building Fund envelopes available in the pews or on the table by the Donation box at the entrance to the worship area. Please consider a generous donation. Must be received by Dec. 31, 11 am to receive charitable donation receipt for 2023.

Alex Wlodarczyk, Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson Michelle Gibney, Parish Finance Committee Chairperson

Next Weekend, Dec. 16 & 17: Coffee after Saturday and Sunday Masses. Plan to stay and visit with friends, or make new ones.

Next Pancake Breakfast at Holy Trinity: Sun. Jan. 7, 10 am to 1 pm



Pancakes, eggs, sausage, ham, syrup, strawberries, whipped topping, coffee, juice. Served 10 am to 1 pm. By donation. Hosted by Knights of Columbus.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - Holy Trinity Parish is looking for a Building and Grounds Coordinator to oversee the operation and maintenance of Holy Trinity Parish building and grounds. For details of the activities and responsibilities, contact the parish office.



Advent Love Collection—pick up a special Love Collection envelope for your gift to help those in need in our community. Holy Trinity Social Justice committee organizes and disburses funds to organizations who operate locally, nationally or globally to helping those most in need. Some of those organizations include Development & Peace and Sophia House.

Funeral Baking needed—Wrap well and mark as Funeral Baking with the date and pass to a CWL Executive member or place in kitchenette fridge freezer (main floor).

Communion to Shut-ins. If you, or someone in your family would like communion brought to a care home or own home in our parish, contact the Holy Trinity office (306) 543-38383.

Holy Trinity Parish on Facebook—A great opportunity to be connected and up-to-date on our events and activities.



You can find us by searching for "Holy Trinity Parish, Regina" on Facebook, or with this link; https://www.facebook.com/bolytrinityregina 'Like' and 'Follow' us to stay informed and engaged!



Catholic Women's League at Holy Trinity

Annual Christmas potluck is **Monday, Dec. 11** Doors open at 5:30 pm with supper at 6:00 pm. There will be an appetizer table, main course table, dessert table, punch and other refreshments.

All are welcome to attend. Invite your spouse, family, and friends. Come and enjoy fellowship, fun and great food.

Plans for the evening include someone from O'Neill High School to explain how the Angel Program works. Your purchase of a \$2 ticket(s) can win you a beautiful Christmas item made by one of our members.

Someone will also be presenting from Angels 4 Warmth. Donations of yarn, fabric and monies (for a tax receipt) may be made that evening. This great organization makes items of warmth by knitting, crocheting and quilting. The finished items are passed on to the needy in Regina.

CWL memberships now due \$40. Give to an executive member, in your blue envelope or place in brown envelope on the CWL bulletin board.

If you are diabetic and experience an extreme drop in your blood sugar while in the church and are in need of something to elevate it, there are some items in a labelled blue container on the microwave in the kitchenette (main level just past the bathrooms). There are also two drinks (orange juice & iced tea) in the fridge, labelled 'For Diabetic Use Only'.

<u>Archdiocese of Regina Bulletin (Dec. 10) Link</u> Dec. 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe National Day of Prayer



Archdiocese of Regina Masses On-Line https://archregina.sk.ca/live

Links at www.youtube.com/ArchdioceseRegina
Past Masses available online.

THINKING FAITH Podcast hosted by Deacon Eric Gurash and Dr. Brett Salkeld of the Archdiocese of Regina.

Your Best Self: Transhumanism with Joseph Vukov Part 2 In part two of two episodes, Dr. Brett Salkeld visits Dr. Joseph Vukov of Loyola University in Chicago to discuss the transhumanism movement and promise and the perils of utilizing science and technology to improve human life.

"I think a great little pushback to the Luddite who would say, these new technologies are necessarily going to undermine human relationships, are necessarily going to undermine, our capacity to give praise to God appropriately. And I would say the Exsultet and the Mass pushback on that just a little bit in saying, no, no, no, we can actually use technology in cooperation with nature, as long as we have the right views of ourselves and right views of nature to give glory back to God."

Learn more in Joseph Vukov's latest book "The Perils of Perfection"

Listen to the podcast.

Link to previous podcasts

Bridging the Unbridgeable Gap: Beyond Polarization in the Church and in Society with Fr. Ron Rolheiser - Fr. Ron's talk from December 4 available on Archdiocese YouTube channel).

Today, everywhere in the church and in the world, we find ourselves divided by different histories, ideologies, politics, religions, moral views and temperaments. Politics are stalemated, churches are splitting, and families struggle to sit down at a common table. And all of this being fed and enflamed by a hundred million websites vilifying each other. The gap is growing and seems unbridgeable.

How can we respond? How can we begin to bridge this unbridgeable gap, as faithful Christians, as loving citizens, and as aching family members?

Advent Recollection: Reconciliation, Adoration, and Healing-Sunday, Dec. 17

Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) 5:00 to 7:30 pm St. Cecilia Parish, 5020 – 7th Avenue, Regina

In the holy Advent season, experience a time of enlightenment through adoration and healing with Jesus who brought light to the world. During this busy time of preparing for Christmas, pause and take advantage of this recollection opportunity.

Led by Fr. Sathi Antony, St. Gerard Parish, Yorkton

- Holy Mass 5 pm.
- Adoration and individual Reconciliation 6 pm.
- Release prayer for personal healing, from darkness to light – 7 pm.
- Refreshments and fellowship 7:30 pm.



Advent Music Sacra at Campion College. on December 10 at 2 pm. 2nd floor Chapel . Theme is Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love: Meditations on Advent. Embrace the joyful meaning of the season.

GriefSHARE Sessions at Christ the King, 3239 Garnet Street. 2 – 4 pm: Jan 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mar. 5, 14, 19, 26, Apr 9, 16. Registration open now. Contact lucyklindaann@gmail.com

Archbishop's Annual Appeal Holy Trinity's goal is \$34,533 To date, we have raised \$25,604

As the Archbishop's Appeal comes to a close, consider making a one-time donation or giving monthly.

Archbishop Don Bolen's final message for this year's Appeal (You Tube)

Forever in Motion—a health initiative at Holy Trinity to promote physical activity with adults.

Tuesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 pm

Forever in Motion is held in the hall, elevator access from the north door where there is accessible parking.

The program is led by a trained volunteer (Holy Trinity parishioner). Everyone welcome. Brochure on bulletin board

Transitional Diaconate Ordination of Daniel Malone to be conferred by Archbishop Donald J. Bolen on Mon., December 18 at 1 p.m. in Holy Rosary Cathedral, Regina. Reception to follow in hall downstairs. All are welcome. Livestream link at www.youtube.com/

itwewin Corner (itwewin is the Cree word which means 'the word' or 'as it is said...')

Archdiocese of Regina Truth and Reconciliation Healing Committee. **Did you know...** From February 4 to 29, 2024, a display of paintings depicting each of the 94 Calls to Action resulting from the National Truth and Reconciliation Commission (2015) will be on display at the Neil Balkwill Arts Centre in Regina. The paintings are the work of students from the Balcarres Community School. More details will be coming.

Letters of Support Needed for Warm Welcome

Local faith communities, organizations and concerned citizens have come together, recognizing the crisis for the houseless community and the severe cold weather coming. This Warm Welcome Coalition has drafted a proposal to the Saskatchewan Government to fund an overnight warming centre in Regina. Carmichael Outreach has offered their space and has developed a budget for staffing and managing this project.

Please consider writing a letter of support to the Minister of Social Services, the Hon. Gene Makowsky (ss.minister@gov.sk.ca or Room 303, 2405 Legislative Drive, Regina, SK, S4S 0B3), and cc your local MLA and Russell Mitchell-Walker (russell.eastside@gmail.com). Email addresses for your local MLAs are located here: https://www.legassembly.sk.ca/mlas/ Stay tuned for other ways that you can support the Warm Welcome Coalition and Carmichael Outreach by volunteering or donations of baking.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada Urgent Help Needed Development and Peace is raising funds for the Palestinian people besieged in the southern Gaza Strip, who are in urgent need of help. Facing a near-total blockade and ongoing bombardment, our partner Caritas Jerusalem urgently needs help to provide food, water, shelter, hygiene kits, healthcare and psychosocial support to the wounded, the displaced and the bereaved. You are invited to give generously to help our sisters and brothers in Gaza.

Christmas Gifts for Indigenous Christian Fellowship (ICF) to accommodate the numerous requests from community members for the 2023 Christmas gift registry. Gifts may be delivered to Indigenous Christian Fellowship, 3131 Dewdney Avenue. They are welcome wrapped or unwrapped. If wrapped, attach a note regarding suggested age range and gender. The blessing of financial support also welcomed; to purchase gift cards or food items. (Please do not deliver cash to the ministry. Cheques payable to Indigenous Christian Fellowship or send an e-transfer, (including your email address!) to: support@icfregina.ca

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The week's top local stories, parish and diocesan events, and national and international news of Catholic interest delivered to your in-box every Friday.

